



## Welcome

You have come to Richard Bong State Recreation Area at a great time! We hope you can join us for nature programs. There's something for everyone!

Naturally, the park has a lot to offer. There are forests, fields, prairies, marshes, ponds and lakes to explore. Why not hike one of the trails? There are over 16 miles from which to choose. Dogs on leashes are welcome on all hiking trails but not at programs.

There is a self-guided interpretive trail that is one mile in length and is located at the Vista on Hwy B. It weaves through brush, hardwood forest and along a pond. It's a seldom visited area of the park and boasts the best raspberry picking around but you'll want to bring your bug spray!

Please remember this recreation area is not just for you but for everyone. Please do not litter or pick plants or flowers.

All programs start promptly unless they are advertised as a drop-in. A park entrance fee is required for all vehicles entering the park.

# July

## Sat. 5 10-11am Visitor Center

Butterflies of the Park—Capture, identify and release some of the park's winged jewels.



## Tues. 8 5:30-7pm Visitor Center

Adopt a Highway—Help us pick up litter along the highway. You must be at least 12 years old. Equipment provided. Great way to earn service hours.



## Thurs. 10 10-11:30am

### Shelter #3 at the Beach

Knee-high Naturalist—Bring your 3-5 year old to this fun and involving nature program. This month IT'S A WINDY DAY so come make and fly a kite with us. Space is limited please pre-register by calling 262-878-5601.

## Sat. 12 9-10am Visitor Center

Bi-lingual Nature Hike—Want to practice your Spanish? ¿Quieres practicar a tu inglés? Bring the whole family and join us on this short nature hike to do just that.

## Sun. 12 6-7pm Shelter #4 by the Beach

Horsing Around—Meet the horses of Dietrich Farm as Lynn and friends share the joys and tips of horse ownership and care.

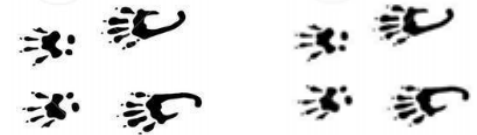


## Sat. 19 10-11:30am Amphitheater

In Touch with Nature—Drop in between 10 and 11am to create some crafts that will help you explore nature using all your senses. Fun for all ages!

## Sat. 19 6-7:30pm Amphitheater

Tracks, Tracks & More Tracks—Drop in between 6 and 7pm to investigate animal tracks. Have fun with tracks and learn to identify a variety of local animals. A Family Play Day!



## Sat. 26 10-11:30am Visitor Center

How to Stay Found—Learn to read a map and use a compass then we'll head outside to practice your new skills by playing a fun compass games.

## Sat. 26 7-8pm Amphitheater

Eco-Scavenger Hunt—Bring the whole family to hunt for nature's hidden surprises. A Family Play Day!





**Hey Kids!**

*Wondering what to do besides attending a naturalist program? Check out these fun nature activities from the Entrance Station*

**Camp with Smokey Bear**--Check out Smokey Bear and his daypack for a night of camping and fire safety fun.

**Forests Forever Park Packs**--Learn more about the forest and the creatures that live there with these packs. They are loaded with hands-on activities and games.

**Wisconsin Explorer Books**—Totally redesigned books for ages 3 and up. Earn a colorful State symbol patch. You can even check out an explorer backpack while you camp from one of the camp hosts!

**Tackle Loaner**--If you would like to try fishing for the first time or forgot your own equipment, we have some to lend. Don't forget the license if you're 16 or older!



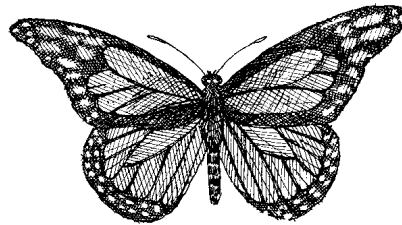
State Law 167.10 prohibits the use of possession of fireworks. Violators of this law are subject to fines and/or eviction from the campsite or park.

## More Fun:

**Stargazing Saturdays**--Every clear Saturday night, 1/2 hour after sunset until at least 10pm, drop in to visit the Astronomical Society members as you look through telescopes and learn about the evening sky. Meet at Parking Lot F.



**Nature Center**--Check out the nature exhibits, live animals and the Solarium. Building open 8am-4pm Monday-Friday and 12noon-3pm most Saturdays, Sundays & holidays. Visit the live butterflies July through Labor Day.

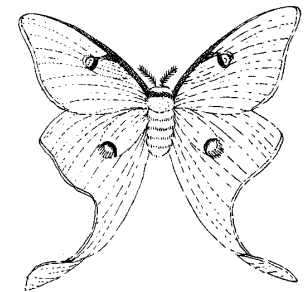
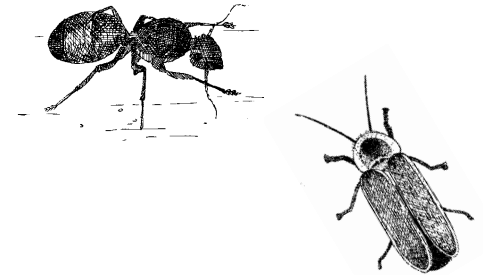
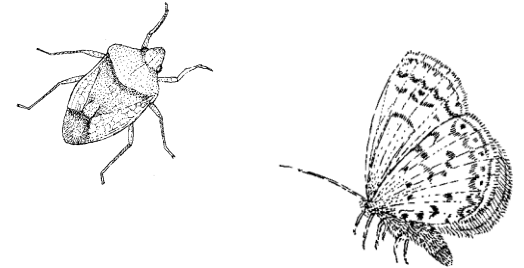


**Bong Naturalist Association**--A friend's group exists to benefit Richard Bong Recreation Area. Ask how you can join this great group and give a little back to the park.

**Nature Gift Store**--Bong Naturalist Association has quality nature items for sale. Members get a 10% discount--ask how to become a member!

[www.bongnaturalistassociation.org](http://www.bongnaturalistassociation.org)

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